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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of November 3, 2004, please review the following, including amendments made pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116:

the **Amendments to the Claims** beginning on page 2 of this paper, and

the **Remarks/Arguments** beginning on page 5 of this paper.